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A Note from the District Manager

As always, this publication is prepared and distributed as part of our continuing effort to keep you informed of ongoing and proposed activities on the Eugene District.

I am now well into my second year serving as the District Manager. During this time, I have had the pleasure to meet and work with many of you on a variety of important issues. Let me take this opportunity to remind you that we seek ideas, comments and participation from those who are or may be affected by our management decisions. I invite any of you who have issues of concern or information to share, to contact me or any member of our District's Leadership Team. Your involvement and input helps us to design and implement better projects.

As we begin a new fiscal year, our employees continue active involvement on several key issues. As you may recall, we completed a comprehensive land use plan or Resource Management Plan (RMP), in June 1995. A requirement of the plan is to complete an evaluation every three years. Our Annual Program Summary which will be published in January, will be used with other staff documents to form the analytical basis for the actual third year evaluation. The complete evaluation will be distributed to the public in the Spring of 1999.

Recently, an amendment to our RMP was approved and grants authority to change Land Tenure Zone designations of four parcels of public land. The four designation changes will facilitate completion of the John Hancock land exchange, resolution of two small occupancy trespasses and transfer of a former landfill to Lane County. As you are probably aware, we are currently involved in the preparation of a region-wide Environmental Assessment (EA) that focuses on Survey and Manage species, such as mollusk and non-vascular plants, identified in the Northwest Forest Plan. Until the EA is completed in early 1999, we will not be initiating any new surface disturbing activities such as trail construction, timber sales or habitat improvement projects. Finally, we have approved a process which will allow us to display our District's environmental (NEPA) documents on our Internet Home-page web site. We anticipate getting the information on line in early 1999. Currently, you can find this newsletter and other information at our Home-page address (www.edo.or.blm.gov).

Thanks for your interest in the Eugene District. I look forward to hearing your ideas and suggestions about how we can better serve you, and how we can improve BLM's management of our Public Lands.

Denis Williamson, District Manager

MCKENZIE RESOURCE AREA LOST CREEK WATERSHED

<1> Ant Farm Timber Sale

Contact: Don Wilbur (683-6994)

Location: T.19S., R.1W., section 31;
T.19S., R.2W. section 1;

The Proposed Action proposes harvesting 2 units of 65 acres and constructing 0.3 miles of temporary road. One harvest area would be a regeneration cut and the harvest area is 18 acres and 67 years old. The other harvest area is a thinning of 47 acres which is 54-56 years old.

STATUS: *The EA is and the review period have been completed. A decision is likely to be made after March 1999.*

<2> Lost Creek FY 99 Analysis Area

Contact: Trish Wilson (683-6448)

Location: Throughout the watershed

There is a proposal to thin an estimated 900 acres with an age ranging from 40-55 years old and to regenerate an estimated 160 acres with an age range of 56 - 120 years old. This project would also include density management in the riparian reserve, snag creation, road construction decommissioning, and storm damage repairs. Public meetings were held in January, March 3, and April 9, 1998.

STATUS: *The EA will be out for public review by January 1999.*

MOHAWK WATERSHED

<3> Mohawk FY 99 Timber Sales

Contact: Trish Wilson (683-6448)

Location: Parsons, Shotgun, Showalter and Wendling Drainages

The proposal is to thin an estimated 138 acres with stand ages ranging from 40 to 60 years old and regeneration harvest 280 acres with stand ages ranging from 56 to 70 years old. The environmental analysis work has started.

Status: *Scoping has occurred. The environmental assessment would be available for public review by mid-winter.*

<4> Transportation Management Plan

Contact: Liz Aleman (683-7578)

Location: Shotgun, Drury, Showalter and Cash Creek drainages

Work on a transportation plan started this Spring. The team developed recommendations on road management objectives. The recommendations involving replacing culverts will be implemented next year. The team has draft recommendations on which roads should be closed. However, input from the public regarding the use of these roads for recreation trails is needed before the recommendations are finalized. The trail designation process will provide the opportunity for the recreation user groups to review the draft road closure recommendations. Once the trail designation process is completed, the draft road closure recommendations will be finalized.

Status: *A category exclusion will be prepared Spring of 1999 for the culvert replacement project..*

<5> Trail Designation

Contact: Liz Aleman (683-7578)

Location: Shotgun, Drury, Showalter and Cash Creek drainage

Candidate trails for possible future designated trails status was identified in the Mohawk Recreation Area Management Plan. Recommendations from this process will need to be integrated with the transportation planning work.

Status: *Scoping began this summer and will continue this Fall.*

FALL CREEK WATERSHED

<6> Timber Sales

Contact: Trish Wilson (683-6448)

Location: T.19S, R.1E. Section 3; T.19S.,R.1E. section 11; T.18S. R.1E. section 29

The proposal is to regenerate approximately 150-200 acres of stands ranging in age from 87 - 187. The analysis work will start late fall.

STATUS: *Scoping has not started yet. It will begin in the Winter. The environmental assessment will be available for public comment in the summer.*

BEAR-MARTEN WATERSHED

<7> Mt. Hagen/Mt Jimbo Road Repair

Contact: Trish Wilson (683-6448)

Location: T.16S., R.3E. section 33;

The project is located about 20 miles east of the Eugene/Springfield on both sides of the McKenzie River. The proposal is to fix the Mt. Hagen Road that was damaged by the flood in 1996. For the Mt. Jimbo road, the proposal is to fix or decommission the road.

STATUS: *The environmental assessment was made available for public review on January 28, 1998. The comment period ended February 27, 1998. The decision was made this summer.*

<8> Landscape Design

Contact: Trish Wilson (683-6448)

Location: On BLMs lands, 3 miles east of Leaburg to just past Silver Creek boat ramp on both sides of the McKenzie River

The projects involves BLM administered lands within the Central Cascade Adaptive Mangement Area (CCAMA) which includes the Bear-Marten and Vida watersheds. The project area contains 16,595 acres of BLM administered land of which 8,282 is with key watershed. The Landscape Design

is an extension of the watershed analysis. It will be used for future planning on BLM lands in the CCAMA.

Status: *The design process will begin in November.*

CALAPOOYA WATERSHED

<9> Calapooya Watershed Analysis

Contact: Lynn Larson (683-6153)

Location: South side of the Calapooya River between Brownsville and Crawfordsville, OR

The Calapooya Watershed is approximately 33,571 acres. Approximately 7,672 acres are BLM administered lands. BLM will examine the lower portion of the Calapooya watershed. We will look at the area between the Pugh Ck. drainage (Sec.31, T14S,R1E) and the Courtney Ck. drainage (Sec.20,T14S,R2W) drainage. The information that comes from a watershed analysis provides the basis for future land management activities, including monitoring and restoration programs. Watershed analysis is not a plan but a process of gathering information to be used for future planning.

MULTIPLE WATERSHEDS

<10> Fertilization

Contact: Fred Kallien (683-6443)

Location: Throughout the following watersheds - Lower McKenzie, Hills Creek, Little Fall Creek, Upper Fall Creek, Winberry and Lost Creek

A proposal is in development to aially apply urea fertilizer (46-0-0) for timber stand improvement on approximately 2,600 acres of managed stands usually 15 - 32 years old.

STATUS: *The decision has been made on this project. Work will start this Winter.*

COAST RANGE RESOURCE AREA SIUSLAW WATERSHED

<1> Resource Management Plan Amendment and Land Exchange

Contact: Steve Madsen (683-6948)

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Eugene District, has prepared an Environmental Assessment (OR-97-42) for a Resource Management Plan Amendment and Land Exchange. The amendment includes language for the adjustment of land tenure zone for isolated parcels of land which would allow for their disposal subject to further NEPA analysis. The Environmental Assessment also analyzes a proposed land exchange which would bring 2¼ miles of Whittaker Creek into public ownership in exchange for scattered public lands in the Coast Range Resource Area. The land exchange would be subject to conditions set forth in a pending Biological Opinion from the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

STATUS: Notice of Decision was published on August 26, 1998. No comments were received. Final State Director approval was dated October 22, 1998.

<2> Alma Over Density Management Treatment

Contact: Phillip Redlinger (683-6977)

Location: T19S R6W Section 19 within the Siuslaw Watershed

This proposal is primarily an intermediate thinning on approximately 47 acres and is designed to increase tree size, crown development, or other desirable characteristics, to increase diversity of stocking levels and size classes within the stand or landscape.

STATUS: The EA and preliminary FONSI were advertised on July 15, 1998 for public review. The Decision Record was signed August 24, 1998. The sale sold on September 24, 1998, the award is pending results of NMFS Biological Opinion.

<3> Siuslaw Access Culvert Replacements

Contact: Eric Meyers (683-6499)

Location: T19S, R8W, Sections 11 & 13

Culvert replacements for North Creek, Pugh Creek and Fawn Creek where they intersect the Siuslaw Access Road (#18-8-34). Replacements to allow the passage of anadromous fish and withstand a 100 year flood event. Design is being done by the Federal Highway Administration.

Status: Decision Record was issued for EA-98-17 on 5/19/98. A site specific addenda or administrative determination will be completed to incorporate site specific information prior to project implementation. The culvert replacements are expected to be completed during late summer 1999.

LOWER SIUSLAW WATERSHED

<4> Fred Meyer Sand Dune Stabilization Proposal

Contact: David Schroeder (683-6482)

Location: T. 18 S., R. 11 W., Section 15 (SE¼NE¼) in Florence, Oregon

Fred Meyer, Inc. and Westwood Development Corporation propose to stabilize 4.55 acres of open sand dunes located on BLM land. They propose to stabilize the dunes with vegetation (European beach grass, shore pine, salal) in order to facilitate development of their adjoining private property for a shopping center in Florence, Oregon.

STATUS: The Revised EA, and the Decision Record and FONSI were published August 26, 1998.

LAKE CREEK WATERSHED

<5> Fish Creek Aquatic Habitat Project

Location: Fish Creek, T16S-R7W-Sec.27,33

Contact: Neil B. Armantrout (683-6451)

The proposed project would relocate wood delivered by a landslide into position in the Fish Creek channel to help stabilize the channel and increase fish habitat. .

STATUS: *A supplement to the existing Fish Creek Aquatic Habitat Restoration Project EA is estimated to be completed in Spring, 1999. Project implementation is expected by late summer, 1999.*

<6> Hult View Thinning

Contact: Mark Stephens (683-6439)

Location: T15S, R7W, Section 23, within the Lake Creek Watershed

This project proposes to commercially thin approximately 147 acres and would focus on providing increased tree growth and encourage individual tree development by providing more growing space.

STATUS: *The Decision Record was published June 3, 1998. Negotiated sale pending results of National Marine Fisheries Service Biological Opinion.*

<7> Second Wind Density Management Treatment

Contact: Phillip Redlinger (683-6977)

Location: T16S, R8W, Section 33, within the Lake Creek Watershed

This proposed project is primarily an intermediate thinning on approximately 68 acres and is designed to increase tree size, crown development, or other desirable characteristics, to increase diversity of stocking levels and size classes within the stand or landscape.

STATUS: *The EA and preliminary FONSI were published on July 15, 1998 for a 30 day public review. The Decision Record was signed August 24, 1998. It sold September 24, 1998 award is pending National Marine Fisheries Service Biological Opinion.*

<8> Coho Heaven Restoration Logs

Contact: Leo Poole (683-6289) or Russel Hammer (683-6984)

Location: Poole Creek drainage in T15S, R7W, Sec 21, SE 1/4

This proposed restoration project would yard a portion of the fallen trees in this area which would be used in the near future for installation in streams to improve fish habitat.

Status: *The project is open for scoping comments. The ID team will review this project in preparation for the EA expected to be completed in Winter 1999.*

<9> Sammy Hill Density Management Treatment

Contract: Phillip Redlinger (683-6977)

Location: T16S, R8W, Section 1

This project proposal is primarily an intermediate thinning on approximately 234 acres and is designed to increase tree growth, tree size crown development, other desirable characteristics, and to increase diversity of stocking levels and size classes within the stand or landscape.

Status: *Scoping has been completed for this project. The EA is currently being prepared and is expected to be available for public review in Summer 1999.*

<10> Nelson Way Timber Sale

Contract: Phillip Redlinger (683-6977)

Unit #1; Location: T17S R8W Section 13;

Unit # 2 Location: T17S R7W Section 7

This project proposes to commercially thin approximately 106 acres (unit #1) and would focus on providing increased tree growth and encourage individual tree development by providing more growing space. Unit #2 is a proposed regeneration harvest of 88 acres and is designed for a high-lead logging system.

Status: *The project is open for scoping comments. The EA is currently being prepared and is expected to be available for public review in Summer 1999.*

WILDCAT CREEK WATERSHED

<11> Pataha Thinning Timber Sale

Contact: Rich Kelley (683-6405)

Location: T18S R7W Section 17

This proposed project is a thinning timber sale in a 26 year old forest stand which is a progeny test site for the Eugene

District Tree Improvement Program. The project area is approximately 33 acres. The purpose is to provide for continuation of long term genetics research. The thinning will maintain tree growth and vigor so measurements of growth and other characteristics can continue.

STATUS: *The environmental assessment is expected to be available for public review by mid-June, 1998. No public comments were recieved. The thinning is scheduled for sale approximately 3rd quarter 1999.*

<12> Badger One Timber Sale

Contract: Phillip Redlinger (683-6977)

Location: T17S, R7W, Section 35

This proposed timber sale is a regeneration harvest of 93 acres and is designed for a high-lead logging system.

Status: *Scoping has been completed. The EA is currently being prepared and is expected to be available for public review in Winter 1999.*

<13> Nelson Way Timber Sale

Contract: Phillip Redlinger (683-6977)

Unit # 3 Location: T17S, R7W, Section 7

This proposed project is a regeneration harvest of 72 acres and is designed for a high-lead logging system.

Status: *The project is open for scoping comments. The EA is currently being prepared and is expected to be available for public review in Summer 1999.*

LONG TOM WATERSHED

<14> Hayes Creek Timber Sale

Contract: Phillip Redlinger (683-6977)

Location: T16S, R7W, Section 26

This proposed project is a regeneration harvest of 43 acres and is designed for a high-lead logging system.

Status: *Scoping has been completed for this project. The EA is currently being prepared and is expected to be available for public review in Spring 1999.*

<15> West Danebo Wetland Restoration

Contact: Jock Beall (683-6993)

Location: West Eugene

Restoration and enhancement of historic and existing wetlands within the West Eugene Wetlands in the vicinity of Amazon Creek from Danebo Road to the Southern Pacific Railroad tracks. Activities would include fill removal, grading, restoration of hydrology including Oxbow Slough, prescribed burning, and noxious weed control.

STATUS: *The Decision Record was signed July 14, 1998. Project implementation began late summer 1998.*

<16> South Stewart Pond Wetland Restoration

Contact: Jock Beall (683-6993)

Location: West Eugene

Restoration and enhancement of wetlands on a 1 acre parcel recently added to existing BLM land that was included in a 1995 environmental assessment. Activities could include fill removal, grading, seeding, and noxious weed control.

STATUS: *The project is open for scoping comments. The EA is expected to be completed and available for public review in Spring 1999.*

WOLF CREEK WATERSHED

<17> B-Happy Thin Timber Sale

Contract: Phillip Redlinger (683-6977)

Location: T18S, R6W, Section 33

This project proposes to commercially thin approximately 533 acres and would focus on providing increased tree growth and encourage individual tree development by providing more growing space.

Status: *Scoping has been completed for this project. The EA is currently being prepared and is expected to be available for public review in Winter 1999.*

<18> Lone Wolf Thin Timber Sale

Contract: Phillip Redlinger (683-6977)

Location: T18S, R6W, Section 33

This project proposes to commercially thin approximately 106 acres and would focus on providing increased tree growth and encourage individual tree development by providing more growing space.

Status: *Scoping has been completed for this project. The EA is currently being prepared and is expected to be available for public review in Winter 1999.*

SOUTH VALLEY RESOURCE AREA ROW RIVER WATERSHED

<1> Torched Mill Timber Sale

Contact: Janet Zentner (683-6795)

Location: T21S, R1W, Sec 35

This timber sale encompasses approximately 91 acres identified for regeneration harvest utilizing helicopters. This sale was originally proposed in July 1997, but would have required a road to be constructed through a 20-acre stand of late-successional forest. The original EA was withdrawn from further consideration so that the BLM could receive additional interpretation of the "15% Rule" as described in the NW Forest Plan. As a result, the EA now includes helicopter logging as the proposed action and was reissued for additional public comment.

STATUS: *The final decision was published in the Eugene Register Guard on May 27, 1998. The timber sale occurred on August 27, 1998.*

<2> Upper Harms Timber Sale

Contact: Janet Zentner (683-6795)

Location: T20S, R2W, Sec 35

The proposed sale is located north of Dorena Reservoir in the Matrix land use allocation. The proposed action is to commercially thin approximately 265 acres, yielding an estimated 2.97 MMBF of timber.

STATUS: *Scoping and analysis has been completed. The environmental assessment is being prepared, and it is expected to be out for public review late winter, 1999.*

<3> Perkins Creek Timber Sale

Contact: Richard Hardt (683-6690)

Location: T21S, R2W, Sec 27

This timber sale is part of a Western Oregon wide research project examining environmental impacts resulting from various forms of stand density management treatments, and includes thinning within Riparian Reserves.

STATUS: *The final decision was published in the Eugene Register Guard on August 26, 1998. The timber sale occurred on September 24, 1998.*

<4> Dorena Lake Timber Sale

Contact: Janet Zentner (683-6795)

Location: T20S, R2W, Sec 35

The proposed project would involve completing a density management thinning on approximately 120 acres on a parcel that lies in the Row River Watershed. The proposed project area is about a mile east of Dorena Reservoir.

STATUS: *Scoping is underway. If you would like additional information, or have concerns relating to this proposal, please contact the person noted above. A final decision is not anticipated until winter, 2001.*

UPPER SIUSLAW WATERSHED

<5> Douglas Creek Timber Sale

Contact: Alan Corbin (683-6792)

Location: T20S, R5W, Sec 3

This proposal includes a density management thinning and fisheries habitat improvements on a 140-acre parcel along Douglas Creek, a tributary to the Siuslaw River. The project area lies approximately 3 miles NW of Lorane. Alternatives being considered include thinning in riparian reserves to enhance development of late-successional conditions, along with down wood placement in Douglas Creek and selected riparian reserves.

STATUS: *The environmental assessment is being prepared and is expected to be available for public review by late winter, 1999.*

<6> Smith Progeny Timber Sale

Contact: Rich Kelly (683-6405)

Location: T20S, R6W, Sec 13

The project area is one of several BLM progeny sites located in the Eugene District. A density management

thinning is proposed for this 14-acre site. The purpose of progeny sites is to perform genetic tests to develop growth information on trees of known pedigrees. Progeny sites are long term research studies. There is a need for the trees at the Smith site to be thinned now to provide growing space in the future.

STATUS: *The environmental assessment is being prepared and should be available for public review by late winter, 1999.*

<7> Fawn Creek LSR Restoration Project

Contact: Richard Hardt (683-6690)

Location: T20S, R5W, Sec 17

The proposed project area is located in the Coast Range Late-Successional Reserve (LSR 0267). The area being proposed for treatment is a densely stocked Douglas-fir stand in which treatments would be designed to accelerate development of late-successional characteristics.

STATUS: *The environmental assessment is being prepared and is anticipated to be available for public review in mid-winter, 1999.*

WOLF CREEK WATERSHED

<8> Link-n-Log LSR Restoration Project

Contact: Richard Hardt (683-6690)

Location: T.19S.,R5W.,Sec.7

The project area is about 202 acres lying along the eastern edge of the Coast Range Late-Successional Reserve (LSR 0267) about five miles south of Crow in the Wolf Creek Watershed. The project includes density management thinning of heavily stocked 40-50 year old stands of Douglas-fir, down wood and snag creation, in-stream restoration, and road decommissioning.

STATUS: *The final decision for this project was published in the Eugene Register Guard on August 26, 1998. The timber sale occurred on September 24, 1998. Implementation of the non-timber sale actions will begin in the summer of 1999.*

<9> Point-A-Panther Timber Sale

Contact: Janet Zentner (683-6795)

Location: T19S, R6W, Sec 13

The proposed Point-A-Panther timber sale lies approximately 5 miles south of Crow in the Matrix Land Use Allocation. Regeneration timber harvest is being considered on approximately 90 acres.

STATUS: *The environmental assessment is being prepared and is expected to be available for public review in early spring, 1999.*

BIG RIVER WATERSHED

<10> Alton Hill Timber Sale

Contact: Janet Zentner (683-6795)

Location: T23S, R3W, Sec 17

A density management thinning is proposed for this site, located about 4-5 miles south of London Springs in the Matrix Land Use Allocation. The proposed site encompasses approximately 65 acres

STATUS: *The environmental assessment is being prepared. It is anticipated to be available for public review during the early summer of 1999.*

<11> Wilson Creek Fish Habitat Restoration Project

Contact: Chuck Vostal (683-6454)

Location: T22S, R3W, Sec 3

Wilson Creek is a major fish bearing stream located just east of Cottage Grove Lake. The Wilson Creek stream restoration project involves eliminating fish passage barriers and creating complexity within the channel by increasing spawning, rearing, and refuge habitat for all aquatic species on approximately 200'-300' of stream. This

project will open access to approximately four miles of habitat to migrating aquatic species.

STATUS: *The final decision made in September 1998, and the project has been implemented.*

<12> Big River/Edwards Creek Fish Habitat Restoration Project

Contact: Chuck Vostal (683-6454)

Location: T23S, R2W, Sec 7, 17, 16

Big River and Edwards Creek are important habitats for rainbow and cutthroat trout, and numerous other aquatic species. Restoration is proposed that would improve the quality and quantity of suitable habitat in the Big River/Edwards Creek drainage. The project would involve in-stream structures that would increase channel complexity, increase availability of spawning, rearing and refuge habitat for all aquatic species, improve the quality of pool habitat, improve water quality by reducing sediments entering the stream, and improve the connectivity between stream channel and flood plain.

STATUS: *The environmental assessment is being prepared and is anticipated to be available for public review by early February, 1999.*

<13>Jasper Creek Timber Sale

Contact: Peter O'Toole (683-6786)

Location: T22S, R3W, Sec 35

The proposed action is to do a density management thinning on approximately 150 acres located about 4 miles southeast of London Springs in the Big River Watershed. The proposed project area lies in the Matrix land use allocation; estimated timber volume is 2.1 MMBF.

STATUS: *The environmental assessment is being prepared and it is anticipated to be out for public review by spring, 1999.*

<14>I Spy I-5 Timber Sale

Contact: Janet Zentner (683-6795)

Location: T21S, R4W, Sec 25

This proposed regeneration harvest lies 2 miles south of I-5 and 3 miles west of Cottage Grove Reservoir,

in the Big River Watershed. The proposed harvest area encompasses approximately 100 acres.

STATUS: *The EA is being prepared and is anticipated to be available for public review by early spring, 1999.*

<15>Hobart Butte Timber Sale

Contact: Janet Zentner (683-6795)

Location: T22S, R3W, Sec 31

T22S, R4W, Sec 25

The proposed action is to do a density management thinning on approximately 300 acres. The project area lies just south of London Springs, in the Big River Watershed.

STATUS: *Scoping is underway. If you would like additional information, or have concerns relating to this proposal, please contact the person noted above. A final decision is not anticipated until summer, 2000.*

<16>Twin Prairie Timber Sale

Contact: Janet Zentner (683-6795)

Location: T22S, R3W, Sec 3

The proposal is to complete a density management thinning on roughly 150 acres. The project area is in the Big River Watershed, about one mile east of Cottage Grove Lake.

STATUS: *Scoping is underway. If you would like additional information, or have concerns relating to this proposal, please contact the person noted above. A final decision is not anticipated until late summer, 2000.*

<17>Combs Creek Road Realignment

Contact: Don Meckley (683-6972)

Location: Road No. 23-3-5.1

T22S, R3W, Sec 33

The proposal is to realign approximately 600 feet of the Combs Creek Road that was damaged by the December 1996 storm event. The existing road is no longer stable enough to allow for reconstruction over the original road prism. The road is used by both BLM and Weyerhaeuser Company.

Status: *Scoping is underway. If you would like additional information or have concerns about this project, please contact the person listed above. The environmental assessment is anticipated to be available for public review in March, 1999.*

SHARPS CREEK WATERSHED

<18>Damewood Timber Sale

Contact: Janet Zentner (683-6795)

Location: T22S, R1W, Sec 17

The proposed Damewood timber sale lies approximately 3 miles south of Culp Creek in the Sharps Creek Watershed. A density management thinning has been proposed for approximately 70 acres, with an estimated volume of 0.91 MMBF.

STATUS: *The EA is being prepared, and it is expected to be out for public review in late spring 1999.*

OTHER STATEWIDE PROJECTS

BLM TO PREPARE INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT (IPM) PLANS FOR WESTERN OREGON SEED ORCHARDS

The Bureau of Land Management is considering preparation of Integrated Pest Management Plans for 4 western Oregon seed orchards. They are: Walter Horning Seed Orchard in Colton (Salem District), Travis Tyrrell Orchard (Eugene District), and the Charles A. Sprague and Provolt seed orchards (Medford District). The plans are primarily needed due to significant loss of seed to cone insects and other pests. Insecticide use and other alternatives would be considered to control the pests. The plan would apply to IPM activities within the seed orchards themselves. Formal notification to the public will be made in the next few months. If you are interested in providing scoping information, please contact the appropriate orchard manager: Jim Halberg (Salem District) 503-824-2151, Glen Miller (Eugene District) 541-683-6445, and Harvey Koester, 541-770-2200 (Medford District).